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AMEND. Senate Bill No. 2392*

House Bill No. 2438

by deleting Section 1 and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-808(d), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following language:

(d) The funds from the small and minority-owned business assistance program that are transferred to the board pursuant to § 65-5-113(c) shall be used for the administration and marketing of the program, including, but not limited to, the establishment, marketing, and administration of an incentive plan or plans for the benefit of low-income individuals as authorized in § 49-7-805(4). The board shall have the authority to promulgate rules relative to the implementation and administration of the incentive plan or plans. The state treasurer shall be responsible for the day-to-day administration of such incentive plan or plans as established by the board.



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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1754

House Bill No. 1738*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-203, is amended by deleting subsection (g).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-9-207, is amended by deleting the section.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Governing board" includes the board of trustees of the University of Tennessee, the board of regents of the state university and community college system, a local governing board of trustees of a state university, and the governing board of the Tennessee Foreign Language Institute;

(2) "Immediate family member" means a spouse, parent, grandparent, sibling, child, or grandchild. "Immediate family member" also includes a family member who is adopted, of half-blood, or a step member; and

(3) "State institution of higher education" means any public postsecondary institution operated by a governing board that offers courses of instruction leading to a certificate or degree.

(b) Governing board members are prohibited from having a financial or beneficial interest in any contract or transaction that involves any state institution of



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higher education governed by the board. A governing board member is presumed to have a financial or beneficial interest when the member:

(1) Enters into, or is a party to, a contract or transaction with any state institution of higher education governed by the board or when a member of the governing board member's immediate family enters into, or is a party to, a contract or transaction with any state institution of higher education governed by the board. Tuition payments, scholarships, and philanthropic gifts to a state institution of higher education do not constitute a prohibited financial contract or transaction;

(2) Has direct or indirect ownership in an entity that enters into, or is a party to, a contract or transaction with any state institution of higher education governed by the board, other than passive ownership of less than a controlling interest in publicly traded companies; or

(3) Has a position of actual or apparent authority in, or a fiduciary relationship with, an entity entering into a contract or transaction with any state institution of higher education governed by the board, including, but not limited to, a position as an officer, director, partner, or trustee.

(c) A governing board member shall not accept or solicit from any state institution of higher education governed by the board anything of value, tangible or intangible, in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500) per calendar year, except for state authorized reimbursement for travel expenses and other expenses incurred in connection with the performance of the governing board member's duties. The amount of this limitation shall be adjusted annually on December 31 in accordance with changes in the consumer price index.

(d)

(1) Appointments to a governing board occurring on or after July 1, 2018, for a full term or to fill a vacancy, are subject to the requirements of this subsection (d).

(2) A person shall not serve as a governing board member if an immediate family member is employed by any state institution of higher education governed by the board in an administrative, staff, or faculty position.

(3) The following persons shall not serve as a governing board member:

(A) Employees of any state institution of higher education governed by the board;

(B) Employees of the state or of any agency, department, or other entity of the state;

(C) Members of any state commission or board established pursuant to state law that is engaged in the making of rules or policies;

(D) Any person serving as an elected federal or state official or an elected county or municipal official in this state; and

(E) Lobbyists, as defined in § 3-6-301.

(4) Except for subdivision (d)(3)(E), this subsection (d) does not apply to the ex officio members of a governing board or to the faculty and student members of a governing board.

(e) A governing board member who violates this section shall be removed from the governing board.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2101*

House Bill No. 2311

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following language:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-214, is amended by deleting the section.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-302(a)(10), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following language:

(10) Meet jointly with the higher education commission and the commissioner of education at least annually for the purpose of reviewing the expenditures and programs of public education;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-903(b), is amended by deleting the language "March 15" and substituting instead the language "October 1".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-2312(e), is amended by deleting the subsection.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.



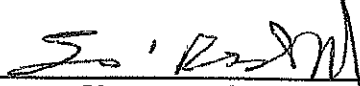
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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1840*

House Bill No. 1969

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-301(a)(1)(B)(iv), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(iv) Are enrolled in a private business, trade, or technical school that is located in this state, accredited by a regional accrediting association, the Council on Occupational Education, or the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges, and authorized to operate by the Tennessee higher education commission pursuant to the Tennessee Higher Education Authorization Act of 2016, compiled in chapter 7, part 20 of this title. A school that, on July 1, 2016, was accredited by the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools and whose students received an award under this part shall remain eligible for the Tennessee student assistance award; provided, that the school receives accreditation by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States department of education, remains accredited by such an accrediting agency, and is authorized to operate by the Tennessee higher education commission. No award under this part shall be made retroactively for any period in which a postsecondary institution has not attained accreditation from an accrediting agency recognized by the United States department of education. If a school is organized as a profit-making entity, it shall comply with the terms and conditions that the TSAC board of directors determines to be necessary to ensure that the availability of assistance under this program to students has not and will not cause an increase in tuition, fees, or other charges assessed by the school;



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SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-902(28), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(28) "Nontraditional student" means a student who:

(A)

- (i) Is at least twenty-five (25) years of age; and
- (ii) Enrolls in an eligible postsecondary institution prior to August 1, 2018:

(a) As an entering freshman; or

(b) At least two (2) years after last attending any postsecondary institution;

(B)

- (i) Is at least twenty-five (25) years of age; and
- (ii) Enrolls in a baccalaureate degree program at an eligible four-year postsecondary institution on or after August 1, 2018:

(a) As an entering freshman; or

(b) At least two (2) years after last attending any postsecondary institution; or

(C) Enrolls in a baccalaureate degree program at an eligible four-year postsecondary institution on or after August 1, 2018, while maintaining continuous enrollment following completion of an associate degree under the Tennessee reconnect grant, established under § 49-4-944;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-914(e), is amended by deleting the language "subsection (c)" and substituting instead the language "subsection (a)".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-914, is amended by inserting the following language as a new subsection (f) and renumbering the remaining subsection accordingly:

(f) Subject to the amounts appropriated by the general assembly and any provision of law relating to a shortfall in funds available for postsecondary financial assistance from the net proceeds of the state lottery, the amount of a Tennessee HOPE scholarship for a nontraditional student enrolled full time in an associate degree program shall be one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) per semester at a two-year postsecondary institution and one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$1,750) per semester at a four-year postsecondary institution. These amounts shall apply to students who received a HOPE scholarship for nontraditional students beginning in the fall term of 2015 and prior to the fall term of 2018, and shall continue until reaching a terminating event described in § 49-4-931.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-931(a)(4), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(4)

(A) Have attempted at least twelve (12) semester hours and received a Tennessee HOPE scholarship as a nontraditional student while enrolled in an associate degree program at an eligible postsecondary institution prior to August 1, 2018; or

(B) Enroll in a baccalaureate degree program at an eligible four-year postsecondary institution and attempt at least twelve (12) semester hours;

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-944(f)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(1) A student may receive a Tennessee reconnect grant under this section until the occurrence of the first of the following events:

(A) The student has attained a degree or certificate in an eligible program of study; or

(B) Five (5) years have passed since the date of initial enrollment as a Tennessee reconnect grant student, exclusive of any approved leaves of absence.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect August 1, 2018, at 12:01 a.m., the public welfare requiring it.

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1685*

House Bill No. 1684

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following language:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 7, is amended by adding the following language as a new part:

49-7-1601.

This part shall be known and may be cited as the "Tuition Transparency and Accountability Act."

49-7-1602.

As used in this part:

(1) "Board" means the trustees of the University of Tennessee or a state university board, as applicable;

(2) "Cost of attendance" means the combined cost of tuition, mandatory fees, room and board, books, and other educational expenses as determined by the financial aid office of the postsecondary institution;

(3) "Predictive cost estimate" means a non-binding estimated cost of attending an undergraduate program at the postsecondary institution based on a student's chosen field of study over a four-year period. A predictive cost estimate may include, but is not limited to, potential tuition and mandatory fee increases, projected increases in tuition based on a student's chosen field of study, and historical trend data; and

(4) "Tuition and mandatory fees" means the charges imposed to attend the relevant institution of higher education as an in-state undergraduate student



and all fees required as a condition of enrollment as determined by the board.

"Tuition and mandatory fees" does not include fees charged to out-of-state students by institutions of higher education, room and board, or other non-mandatory fees and charges.

49-7-1603.

(a) At least fifteen (15) days prior to holding a meeting to adopt an increase in tuition and mandatory fees, a board shall give public notice of the proposed tuition and mandatory fee increase as an action item on the board's meeting agenda. Individuals shall be permitted to provide comments during the fifteen-day period. The public notice of the proposed tuition and mandatory fee increase shall, at a minimum, include:

- (1) An explanation for the proposed tuition and mandatory fee increase;
- (2) A statement specifying the purposes for which revenue derived from the tuition and mandatory fee increase will be used; and
- (3) A description of the efforts to mitigate the effect of the tuition and mandatory fee increase on students.

(b)

(1) By January 1, 2019, each board shall develop a list of factors that shall be considered when developing recommendations to increase tuition and mandatory fees. The factors shall include, at a minimum, the level of state support; total cost of attendance; and efforts to mitigate the financial effect on students.

(2) Each state university and each campus in the University of Tennessee system shall post on its website a summary of the recommendations pursuant to subdivision (b)(1).

49-7-1604.

By February 1 of each year, each governing board shall provide a report to the office of legislative budget analysis, for distribution to the general assembly, with information regarding expenditures of revenues derived from any tuition and fees

increase in the previous full academic year. The report shall include how revenues were used, the effect on student financial aid, and the effect on the average total cost of attendance per student.

49-7-1605.

Beginning August 1, 2019, each state university and each campus in the University of Tennessee system shall provide, with a student's letter of acceptance, a predictive cost estimate for students applying for undergraduate degree programs for the 2020-2021 academic year and for academic years thereafter.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.